

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 94,784-L)

PATENT

In application of:

Stojiljkovic *et al.*

Serial No. 09/665,358

Filed: September 19, 2000

For: Novel Bacterial Hemoglobin Receptor
Genes and Uses

Before the Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 1641

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 29, 2003, Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 4-6, designated as Group II by the Examiner.

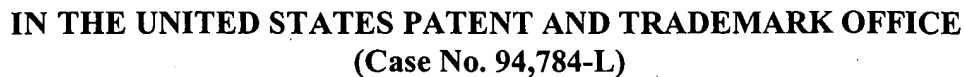
If Examiner Hayes believes it to be helpful, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone at (312) 913-0001.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached

Response to Restriction Requirement and return postcard

2. No additional fee is required.

3. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT: Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 herein above, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 29th day of January 2004.

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